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South Carolina Public Service Commission
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Re: SCE&G's Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility
and Public Convenience and Necessity.
Docket No.: 2005-58-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Please allow this correspondence to serve as notification that the Office of Regulatory Staff does not oppose the request made in the referenced docket for approval of a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate new 230 kV transmission lines in southeastern Richland County and an associated 230/115 kV substation to be located near Hopkins, South Carolina.

ORS does not intend to have any witnesses for the hearing in this matter scheduled for June 9, 2005; however, ORS will participate in the proceeding.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

C. Lessie Hammonds
Staff Counsel, ORS

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